

Exelon Habitat Improvement Program

The Department of Environmental Protection issued a water quality certification for the continued operation and maintenance of Exelon's Muddy Run hydroelectric project. Exelon wishes to preserve this virtually emissions-free generating capacity and its electrical output, while enhancing both the environmental integrity and local community relationships. A condition of the certification is \$225,000 will be provided through 2030 by Exelon to the York County Conservation District to fund projects that will help Pennsylvania achieve commitments to protect the Chesapeake Bay. For more information about the Exelon Habitat Improvement Program, contact the District's Watershed Specialist today!



Conservation, Education, Stewardship
Since 1948

Vision

The York County Conservation District is committed to the improvement and protection of our environment and the wise use of our County's diverse natural resources.

Mission

To achieve that vision, the York County Conservation District will be proactive providing conservation education, technical services and financial assistance to enable the citizens of York County to be good stewards natural resources.

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General Guidelines

- \$71,250 is the maximum project funding. A project may include multiple practices.
- A pre-application meeting must be held onsite with a representative from the District prior to submittal of the application.
- Applications for funding must be approved by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP).
- The application and contract agreement will be approved by the District Board.
- The most current Federal W-9 form must be completed and submitted with the signed agreement.
- All necessary local, state, and federal permits and approvals must be obtained before the installation of practices may begin.
- Payment will be in the form of an incentive payment based on the units of practice installed.
- Practice implementation should occur within 6-12 months of contract approval.
- The practices must be maintained for five years after their completion.

Priority Agricultural BMPs:

- Forested stream buffers
- Wetlands creation
- Barnyard BMPs
- Pasture BMPs
- Field BMPs
- Stream restoration



Priority Habitat Improvement BMPs:



- Forested stream buffer plantings
- Wetlands creation
- Riparian buffer maintenance
- Stream restoration and maintenance
- In-stream habitat improvement and maintenance

